(b) does not arise.

Women on Welfare Baord

1501. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the details of wowen at present holding top posts on the Welfare Board in the Centre?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (KUMARI MAMATA BENERJEE): The post of Chairman Central Social Welfare Board is held by Smt. Amarjit Kaur.

Hindustan Copper Limited

1502. SHRI P. UPENDRA: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Hindustan Copper Limited has taken up three schemes for increasing are ore mining capacity and copper production; and

(b) if so, what are the details there of and by when they are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) Hindustan Copper Limited has identified scheme for developing Chapri Sideshwar wine to sustain production of copper at Ghatsile for developing Banwas wine in Rajasthan and for expanding Malanikh and wine in Madhya Pradesh to sustain and facilitate expansion of copker production at Khetri subject to availability of funds.

(b) Details of the schemes are as follows:—

	Estimated Cost (Rs. in cr.)	Project duratio on (In years)
I. Development of chapri Sideshwar wine of 0.75 million tonnes ore per year capacity with a matching concentrator. . . .	176.00	5/6
II. Expansion of Malanikhand wine from 2 to 3 million tonnes of ore per year. . .	100.00	3
III. Development of Banwas wine of 0·6 willion tonnes of ore per year. . . .	90·00	5/6

Accumulation of aluminium

1503. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that aluminium worth hundreds of crores has piled up with major producers in the country recently;;

(b) the quantum, of accumulated stocks and the estimated value thereof;

(c) the reasons for recession that has set in user industries both in India and abroad ; and

(d) what measures are proposed to be taken by Government to were the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) to (d) as on 31-1-92 the total accumulated stocks of aluminium metal with different primary producers is about 52,000 tonnes with an estimated value of about Rs. 210 crores.

Accumulation of stocks is attributed mainly to global recession as well as to recession in user industries like automobile industry conductors manufacturing industry etc.

Efforts are being made by individiual aluminium producers to respond to the evolving situations in the domestic and export markets so that curtailing of production can be avoided.